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1. During the period from 1 to 24 March 1951, the VVB Land Brandenburg, Ingenieurbau Velten contracted for the construction of the Grossbeeren (N 53/Z 73) - Diedersdorf (N 53/Z 83) line section, a 7.2 km stretch; and the Bauunion Brandenburg worked on the Diedersdorf-Mahlow (N 53/Z 83 - Wassmannsdorf (N 53/Z 83) line section, a 7.2 km stretch and the Wassmannsdorf-Alt Glienicke (N 53/Z 94) line section, which is 8.8 km long. The Railroad Construction Office 2, Berlin, is charged with the supervision of the construction work.
2. The Suedlicher Aussenring Berlin (SAR) construction project, which was declared a first priority project, necessitated the suspension of railroad operations between Mittenwalde Nord (N 53/Z 92) and Schoenefeld (N 53/Z 93), effective 20 March 1951. The line is interrupted north of Schoenefeld (Dorf) so that there is no longer a connection from Mittenwalde Nord to the Berlin Outer Freight Ring. Therefore, the Soviet Zone railroad authorities are compelled to direct all freight shipments via the Lichtenrade (N 53/Z 83) railroad station in the US sector of Berlin.

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